

HIS RUIN DUE  
TO RELIGION.Long Island Zealot Loses  
His Business and  
Disappears.Church Work Engrossed His  
Attention and His Family  
Is Destitute.All the gossip of the south side of  
Long Island in the vicinity of Islip  
centres in the disappearance of William  
D. Eccleston, who for some time had  
been a leading spirit in that section.Eccleston, who had a general store in  
Islip and was considered prosperous,  
surprised the village on Saturday by  
making an assignment.To-day he faded from sight and his  
widow declares that she does not know  
where he has gone. She has been left  
with her children, destitute.Everybody agrees that his failure in  
business is due to his zeal in religious  
matters. Eccleston was a member of  
the Islip Presbyterian Church until last  
winter, when a corps of the Salvation  
Army appeared in the village.Eccleston became interested in their  
work, and then enthusiastic. People  
say that he became so wrapped up in  
church work and the prohibition move-  
ment that he neglected his business,  
and Saturday's assignment was the re-  
sult. The extent of his liabilities and  
assets has not been made known.Aside from assisting the Salvation  
Army band he was the leading man in  
Good Templar work and the recog-  
nized leader of the prohibition party in  
Suffolk County.3 RESCUES  
AT A FIRE.Police Bravely Bore Three  
from a Burning  
Building.Policemen McAvoy and Meehan and  
Roundman, of the East One  
Hundred and Fourth street station,  
saved the lives of three men in a fire  
this morning. McAvoy narrowly escap-  
ed with his life.At the southeast corner of Ninety-  
seventh street and Third avenue was  
the double from house which was occu-  
pied by Vincenzo Castellano as a fruit  
store and Cain Brothers, expressmen.  
It was one story in height and ram-  
shackle in the extreme.The policeman standing on the corner  
at 2 o'clock heard the explosion of an  
oil lamp in the hall of the building, fol-  
lowed by a gust of flames from the trans-  
om. Before they could run across the  
street the wood had blazed up like tin-  
ter.Inside the building were sleeping Al-  
bert Cahn, one of the partners, whose  
home is at 311 East Ninety-fifth street;  
William Roberts, a driver, who lives  
with Cahn, and John Doyle, another  
driver, whose home is at 320 Forsyth  
street. The men, surrounded by walls of  
fire, cutting off all escape, stood for  
help until the smoke overcame them and  
they sank fainting on the floor.McAvoy, tall and athletic, hurried his  
front door and dashed through the blaz-  
ing hallway, he stumbled across the  
body of Cahn and threw him over his  
shoulder, plunged to safety.Again he returned, and this time, when  
he had picked up the other two, he  
found the front of the building was  
fallen, shutting off his escape. Here  
Meehan and Roundman came to the res-  
cue, breaking in the back door to the  
use, and, with McAvoy's assistance,  
arried the unconscious men to the  
street.The three were revived soon after they  
reached the air. The shanty was gutted  
before the flames got under control.  
The loss was about \$200.QUEER ORDER TO  
MOVE CITY BATHS.Suspicion that the Ice Trust Wants the  
Room and Has Brought Its In-  
fluence to Bear.The free public bath at the foot of  
Duane street, North River, is used by  
5,000 to 7,000 poor persons of the lower  
west side every day in the week from  
June to October.It lies in the dock between the 700-  
foot freight piers of the Erie and the  
Baltimore and Ohio Railways.The American Ice Company, better  
known to the public as the Ice Trust,  
has dock privileges at the bulkhead be-  
tween these piers, and the bath is  
moored some sixty feet out to make  
room for the Ice Trust's barges.To reach the bath the swimming peo-  
ple of the neighboring tenements must  
find their way across a perpetual mud-  
flat 30 feet wide made by the melting ice  
as it is unloaded from the barges to the  
warehouses of the company. The man at  
the weighing scales of the Ice Trust said  
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ing for his assailant.CONFESSED TO MURDER  
AFTER FOURTEEN YEARSAustin Tells Now How  
He Killed Charles  
Brower in a Fierce  
Fight.Aye, though he's buried in a cave,  
And trodden down with stones,  
And years have rotted off his flesh,  
The world will see his bones.

—The dream of Eugene Aram.

In the picturesque village of Fishkill-  
on-the-Hudson is a rough wooden box  
half filled with mouldy bones. It is  
the skeleton of a man. The skull is  
cracked, as from a terrific blow, but  
the various parts show that the frame  
was once that of a large, powerful  
person.These bones were found by Amos  
Meade in cleaning out an old well on  
the farm of Peter Austin at Stormville,  
N. Y. They were covered with layers  
of stone, old stumps of trees and earth.  
Meade also found the remnants of a  
coat, a pair of old shoes, a pipe and  
other articles such as might constitute  
the belongings of a farm hand.When the neighbors heard of the dis-  
covery and saw the skeleton and pipe  
they exclaimed as one man:  
"It is all that is left of poor Charlie  
Brower!"That night Peter Austin, who had  
owned the farm at Stormville for a  
score of years until he sold it to Meade  
a short time ago, went to his home,  
a few miles away, and said to his wife,  
"They have dug Brower up."His wife swooned. She knew the  
dead secret of their lives was out.  
To-day Peter Austin is a prisoner in  
the Dutchess County Jail at Poughkeepsie,  
charged with the killing of Charlie  
Brower. Yesterday he confessed to Dis-  
trict-Attorney George Wood that it was  
his hand that killed Brower.MURDER WILL OUT.  
For fourteen years Austin and his wife  
kept the secret of Brower's strangedisappearance. At last the world has  
seen his bones.

Well where skeleton was found.

Austin, who is known as "Big Pete"  
by his neighbors, is forty-seven years  
old now. He is more than six feet  
tall, a giant in frame and muscle; his  
hands are enormous, his fingers are  
spatulated, his head is covered with  
bushy, coarse hair, and his beard is  
almost black. Those who have looked into  
his eyes for a second (none has seen  
them longer than that) will always  
remember their sharp, cruel expression.It was after Austin had confessed that  
he killed Brower that an Evening World  
reporter saw him with his wife and  
grandson in the Poughkeepsie Jail. He  
was sullen and all traces of the tears  
he had shed an hour before were gone.  
He glanced about uneasily and finally  
consented to again tell of the tragedy  
which had been so much a part of his  
life.

AUSTIN'S CONFESSION.

"Yes, I killed Brower. It was he or I,  
and I struck him so that he fell to the  
ground. As he fell his head struck a  
stone. He laid quietly upon his back  
and I thought he was dead and left him."Suddenly raising the right leg of his  
trousers Austin pointed to a great pur-  
ple scar upon the knee."See?" said he, "that's where he cut  
me with his knife. He turned upon me  
in the wagon and said: 'Pete, you  
here.' I'm going to kill you right  
here.' We had never quarrelled, so I  
was surprised. As I jumped from the  
wagon he cut me. Then he leaped  
down and I struck him. Yes, it was  
his life or mine.""Big Pete's" great right hand smote  
his left palm and he grunted as he shook  
his bushy head and added:

"And it was his!"

"Well, I put him in the well that night  
—that's all. Why, if I had told of it  
I wouldn't have got a rope around my  
neck? That's what I thought of first  
thing. But I won't say any more."

Turning to his wife he warned her

LONGS FOR SISTERS.

Aged Mrs. Meyer, of This City,  
Haven't Seen Her Relatives for  
Twenty-Five Years.Mrs. Lena Meyer, of No. 15 Moore  
street, after twenty-five years of separa-  
tion, is seeking for news of her two  
sisters, who left her for a stay in Phila-  
delphia prior to their departure for Cal-  
ifornia. Since that time no word of them  
has reached her."We were all young then," said Mrs.  
Meyer. "My sister, Mrs. Margaret  
Scoville, had a restaurant on Grand street,  
and with her was the youngest of our  
family, Eliza Meyer. They believed they  
could make more money in the West,  
and so started. I have tried many times  
to learn what has become of them.  
Now I am old and lonely, I long to see  
them.""I don't know why the health board  
has spotted these two baths," said  
Bartholomew Donovan, Superintendent  
of Baths, "but I do know that they have  
both been in use for years, and no com-  
plaint has ever made before. It was  
true the Market street bath was not  
the best place for a bath, but it was  
the best we could get. We have to ac-  
cept such place as the Dock Depart-  
ment can give us, and we have been  
trying to get a better place for this  
bath for a long time. We have just  
moved the Duane street bath to the new  
dock at the foot of Rutgers street Sat-  
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the Murderer Would  
Have Escaped Had He  
Not Sold His Farm.One day this week he must appear be-  
fore the Grand Jury. There he will be  
brought face to face with the skeleton  
of Brower, with its fractured thigh  
bone and big hole in the grinning skull.  
Austin has never seen the skeleton.He last saw Brower's limp body as he  
shoved it into the well. Coroner  
Blevier will bring the skeleton to Pough-  
keepsie to-day.Among Austin's neighbors there is  
none who will speak ill of him. They  
have always feared him, and the knowl-  
edge of his terrible secret has not less-  
ened that fear. In whispers, however,  
they tell how they now recall that "BigPete" was often seen near the chestnut  
tree, that he seemed to hover around  
the spot where the old well was, with  
its top covered with stones and rubbish.

HE BROKE DOWN.

When they hear that "Big Pete" broke  
down and went in his cell when Dis-  
trict-Attorney Wood and Sheriff Myron  
Smith told him that his wife had con-  
fessed to all they will marvel. No one  
ever thought Pete could shed a tear.Lawyer Hopkins, who is Austin's coun-  
sel, is angry because of the confession  
of Austin and his wife. He had not in-  
tended using the plea of self-defense in  
the event of Austin being indicted and  
brought to trial, and condemns Dis-  
trict-Attorney Wood and Sheriff Smith for  
catching "Big Pete" in a trap and get-  
ting him to confess.

MOONSTONE ASHORE

British Steamship Goes on the  
Beach at Cape Henry and An-  
nouncement Has Been Sent.CAPE HENRY, Va., Sept. 11.—The  
British steamship Moonstone, stranded  
about midnight abreast Cape Henry life-  
saving station.She appears to be badly listed. The  
wrecking steamer Coley has gone to  
her assistance.

MAN INSTANTLY KILLED.

In attempting to move a heavy drilling  
machine at Woodlawn and Wester ave-  
nues this noon James Genott, an Italian  
laborer, had his skull crushed and died  
instantly.Sunday World Wants afford work,  
money and happiness to thous. 's of  
advertisers.CAMMEYER'S  
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The "Junior" Black Calf Lace Shoes, Spring Heel, sizes 9 to 13 1/2, 2.00  
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founce shape, trimmed with a band  
of tailor-stitched satin and two rows  
of fancy silk braid, lined with best  
French percale and bound with vel-  
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gores and new bell flaring effect,  
trimmed with one-inch stitched satin  
band and lined with French nearsilk  
and corded binding, inverted  
plait back; the price is 9.75Women's Dress Skirts. The very latest  
flare skirt, made of finest quality black  
all-wool Cheviot or black and navy  
Broadcloth, handsomely trimmed with  
graduated bands of black stitched taffeta  
silk, nearsilk lining, corduroy velvet  
binding; new demi-habit back with side  
plaits. These are made in all sizes, 22  
to 35 in. waist band, 39 to 45 in. long;  
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Cheviot in gray, blue, brown and  
Oxford, some also of black English  
cheviot, designed with new flaring  
founce shape, trimmed with a band  
of tailor-stitched satin and two rows  
of fancy silk braid, lined with best  
French percale and bound with vel-  
vet, tailor-made outside and dress-  
maker finish inside, lengths range  
from 39 to 46, waistbands 22 to